## Here We Go Again... Denying What The Lord Confirms! The Gifts Are Still In Operation!



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"...and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost." -1 Corinthians 12:3

Last week, I took the time to highlight the very reason that the Lord gave the gifts of the Holy Ghost to the Church, which is that they might not serve dumb idols (1 Corinthians 12:10)!

Believers who just don't believe excerpt from Bradlee's new book <a href="Children of the Apostates">Children of the Apostates</a>

Well, lo and behold this week, Paul Washer came out and talked of how the gifts of tongues are no longer in operation. What is it that this named preacher (Though I respect a lot of things he does say) does not understand? The Lord has NOT changed (Malachi 3:6; Hebrews 13:8).

Let me give you a lesson from my experience in Israel from 1992.

One day of a 12-day Holy Land tour we had was quite a learning experience for me, especially when it came to the gifts of tongues.

While sitting on the bus, a man in front of me began to pray out loud in an unknown tongue, and little by little he began

to get louder and louder. I knew that I went on this tour with a Pentecostal and charismatic group, but this was getting a little too out there for me. I thought to myself, ok what are we doing and why is he supposedly praying so loud? Was he looking for attention from the others trying to exhibit how spiritual he was or was he just losing his mind?

The man continued, louder and louder, and as he began to exit the bus, I noticed on the outside that two men were looking angrily at him. This caught my attention. I thought, what is their problem?

As the man stepped down, the two men walked over to him saying also with a loud voice, 'Why are you saying that? Why are you saying that? The man praying in tongues asked the two men what it was that he was saying. Both men replied in unison, "You keep saying that 'Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lord'." At this point, I said to myself, "Shutting up Lord, shutting up!"

The lesson learned that day was that THIS MAN WAS AN OBEDIENT SERVANT TO HIS LORD, as was he being led by the Spirit in bearing witness to His Glory (Romans 8:14).

Only the Lord knew the two men. Only the Lord knew their language. And so it is for anyone to deny the Lord and His Spirit, who changes not, is only missing out as to what it is that He has for them.

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By the way, I do understand why men question these things, and they should, all for good reasons. Furthermore, it is scriptural to do so (1 John 4:1-6).

The fanaticism and fleshly nonsense that goes on in the American church today is in so many ways shameful and unspiritual.

Yet, this does not give anyone the right to deny what the Word of God teaches. Just ask me, sincerely. Read 1 Corinthians 14:26-28.

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